REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claims 16-38 are added.

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies and to clarify claim language.

The amendments to the claims are supported by the claims and specification, as originally filed.

Claim 16 is supported by claim 1, as originally filed. Claims 17, 19, 30, and 32 are supported by the specification at page 30, lines 30-34, as originally filed. Claim 18 is supported by claim 2, as originally filed. Claims 20 and 33 are supported by the specification at page 30, lines 24-34, as originally filed. Claim 21 is supported by claim 3, as originally filed. Claims 22 and 23 are supported by claim 4, as originally filed. Claims 24 and 25 are supported by claim 5, as originally filed. Claim 26 is supported by claims 6 and 7, as originally filed. Claim 27 is supported by claims 8-10, as originally filed. Claim 28 is supported by claim 11, as originally filed. Claim 29 is supported by claim 12, as originally filed. Claim 31 is supported by claim 2, as originally filed. Claims 34 and 36-38 are supported by claim 14, as originally filed. Claim 35 is supported by claim 15, as originally filed.

The specification has been amended to show the relationship between the present application and U.S. provisional application serial no. 60/433,771.

The specification has also been amended to correct a minor editorial error. In the specification at page 3, line 32-33, the monomer 4,4'-bis[(4-halophenylsulfonyl)-1,1'-biphenyl has been amended to remove the "[" and to add an "s" at the end of biphenyl. The monomer now correctly reictes 4,4'-bis(4-halophenylsulfonyl)-1,1'-biphenyls. Applicants

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submit that the errors and correction to the errors are obvious, in view of the specification, claims, and filing documents for this application.

Upon entry of the amendment, claims 16-38 will be active.

No new matter is believed to have been added by the amendments. An action on the merits and allowance of the claims is requested.

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